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UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

It is requested that the time for respond to the Office Action dated January 23, 2002 for the above identified application be extended ONE month to expire on May 23, 2002. The accompanying fee of \$55.00 is attached herewith.

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